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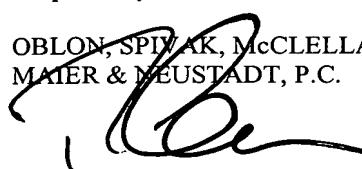
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STATEMENT OF RELEVANCY**Reference AR On Form 1449:**

The invention relates to inhalation capsules (Inhalettes) made from specific capsule material with reduced moisture content, containing the active agent tiotropium in the form of a powder preparation and characterized by an improved stability. The material of the capsule can be for example synthetic plastic and is generally denoted as having a reduced degree of moisture content.